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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

THROUGH : Director of Personnel

SUBJECT : Staff Employment of [redacted] 25X1A

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for Deputy Director (Support) approval. Said recommendation is contained in paragraph 7 below.

2. The Office of Special Activities is vitally interested in obtaining the services of [redacted] 25X1A on a staff employee basis to fill the GS-15 position 25X1A of Chief, Programs and Plans Staff. The incumbent of this position operates as the chief advisor to the Assistant Director/OSA for plans coordination and resources programming. This function evolved out of the recent reorganization of this office and constitutes one of the office's 4 key components. The responsibilities of this position include that of overseeing programs budgeted in the amount of hundreds of millions of dollars to assure consistency with operational and developmental concepts which are approved at highest Agency, NRO, USAF and DOD levels. The task calls for an individual who can both digest complex subject matter and effectively function with scientific, executive and operational personnel.

3. The position is presently occupied by Mr. John N. McMahon, who is soon to transfer to an NRO structured organization.

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4. [redacted] is a former CIA employee who resigned in July of 1960 to accept private employment. The precipitating reason for his resignation was to broaden his field of responsibility. At the time of his resignation, he was a GS-14 and had been in that grade for a little more than 2 years. [redacted] served as Chief of Security for OSA's 25X1A predecessor organization and in that capacity earned the genuine esteem and respect of Agency, USAF and contractor personnel.

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5. [redacted] possesses the requisite admixture of professional qualities and personal attributes. His experience as elaborated upon in the attached resume and PHS has equipped him for a broad spectrum of responsibility and will enable him to effectively cope with the exotic programs and operational concepts which face this office and which are perforce the problems of the position for which he is being considered. Further, in his capacity with private industry, [redacted] has retained his security clearances with this office and he has continued to work with us on technical and administrative matters, which are incorporated in the type of work for which he is being considered.

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6. [redacted] present salary is $16,400, plus bonuses. We have every reason to believe that he is sincerely interested in the position and we feel we should be successful in obtaining his services if we are in a position to offer him a salary of $16,485, GS-15, step 5.

7. It is requested that the Deputy Director (Support) grant approval to the appointment of [redacted] at the GS-15, step 5, level.

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(Signed) Jack C. Ledford

JACK C. LEDFORD
Colonel USAF
Assistant Director
(Special Activities)

CONCUR:

[redacted]

Date

EDWARD B. GILLER
Acting Deputy Director (Support)

19 JUL 1963

/s/ Emmett D. Echols

Date

EMMETT D. ECHOLS
Director of Personnel

Recommendation in paragraph 7 APPROVED:

Signed

Date

L. K. WHITE
Deputy Director (Support)

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